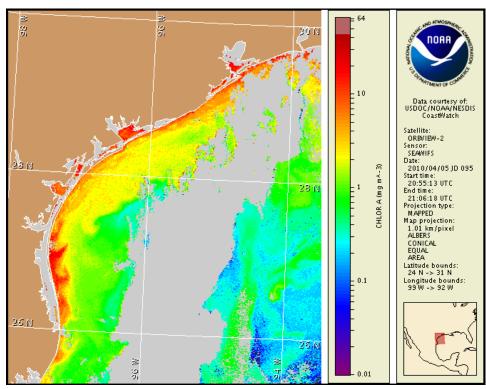


## Gulf of Mexico Harmful Algal Bloom Bulletin

Region: Texas
6 April 2010
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Satellite chlorophyll image with possible HAB areas shown by red polygon(s). Cell concentration sampling data from March 29 to April 5 shown as red (high), orange (medium), yellow (low b), brown (low a), blue(very low b), purple (very low a), pink (present), and green (not present). For a list of cell count data providers and a key to the cell concentration categories, please see the HABFS bulletin guide:

http://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/hab/habfs\_bulletin\_guide.pdf

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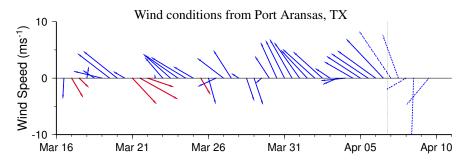
## **Conditions Report**

There have been no reports of harmful algal blooms in coastal Texas. No impacts are expected.

## Analysis

There have been no recent reports of *K. brevis*. Several areas of high chlorophyll are visible along the Southern Texas coast (off Laguna Madre), which most likely represents blooms of non-harmful algae.

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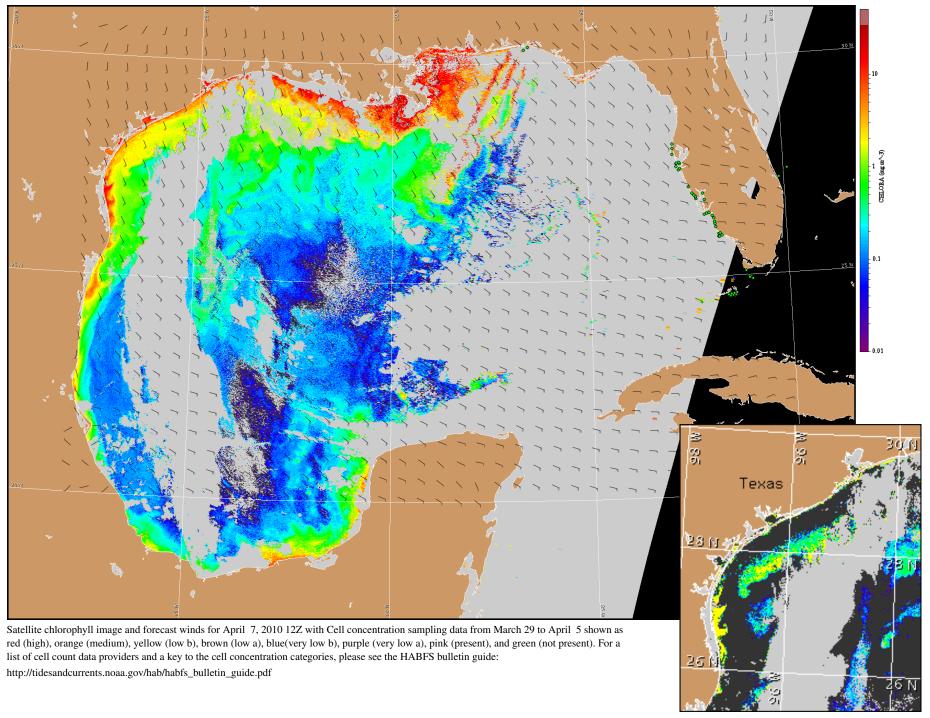


Wind speed and direction are averaged over 12 hours from buoy measurements. Length of line indicates speed; angle indicates direction. Red indicates that the wind direction favors upwelling near the coast. Values to the left of the dotted vertical line are measured values; values to the right are forecasts. Wind observation and forecast data provided by NOAA's National Weather Service (NWS).

## Wind Analysis

Strong south easterly winds (15-25 knots) today and tomorrow transitioning to north-north easterly winds on Thursday.

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Verified and suspected HAB areas shown in red. Other areas of high chlorophyll concentration shown in yellow (see p. 1 analysis for interpretation).